

PERSONAL JOTTINGS

INTERESTING GOSSIP OF THE DAY.

Sympathy for Justice Field—Scenes in the Senate
Galleries—Low Wallace's Novel—Schurz's
Dinner—General Garfield's Chil-
dren—Miss Irish.

The Supreme Court, which adjourned for the day out of respect to the bereavement in the family of Justice Field, had quite a representation in the Senate chamber during Mr. Mahone's speech. The only new faces were those of Messrs. McKim and Brewster, who were observed to enter, also ex-Judge Swaine, to whom Senator David Davis courteously gave up his seat. Few men who ever speak in that hall were present. The session of the Senate was assembled yesterday. It was the only distraction thought of for the day. Secretaries Windom, Kirkwood, and Attorney-General MacVeach represent the United States. The Canadian, Australian, Russian, and Japanese Ministers, with their wives and ladies of the various legations, completely

Mr. Blaine occupied a prominent seat in his gallery. In the reserved gallery were noticed among other ladies of social prominence Mrs. John C. Calhoun, Mrs. John C. Breckinridge, Mrs. George Washington Parke Mason, Mrs. John C. Calhoun's daughter, Mrs. MacArthur, Mrs. Bender, Mrs. H. C. Sawyer, Mrs. John C. Calhoun's daughter, Mrs. Sanders W. Johnston, and Miss Johnston, the numbers of prominent Congressmen on the floor was a surprise to those who imagined that scarcely any remained in the city. A few of the distinguished representatives Aldrich and Farwell, of Chicago; Hamilton and Williams, of Wisconsin; Page, of California; Keifer, of Ohio, and Ketchum, of New York, Ex-Senator Patterson and Ex-Representatives De Witt and Cullum were still hovering round the scenes of their old service. The most conspicuous stranger on the floor was pointed out as Judge Don Edwards. Mr. Riddleberger, who was present, is an annoying looker man to be the cause of all this stir in the grave United States Senate. He is a tall, thin, black-haired, in years perhaps in his prime.

The many to whom Governor Lew Wallace is personally and pleasantly known here will be glad to learn of the compliment that his new religious novel has received from the English firm of Sampson, Low & Co., who have added it to their list of standard six-shilling novels.

tion that the great political dinner which was given to Carl Schurz at the Vendôme was, in point of exquisite arrangement, the most perfect of any of the many banquets that have been given there. The flower decorations were a special feature, some of them carrying out patriotic and national ideas, like the crown of carnations on a laurel base, the map of state, the star and crescent, the anchor of hope, and the crossed sabres. Also, she gives the following pleasant novelty for lunch parties:

In the way of lunch parties, there is a newish wrinkle which commends itself to all the laity (and this is to give a lunch party at the house

at Brunswick, or the vendue palace of a hotel, secure one of the pretty little lunch-rooms, tea-rooms, dining-rooms, or whatever, that are arranged purposely for these private outside parties; put the probable number of your guests into the hands of one of the proprietors, and then issue your invitations, without the least trouble or care or forethought for the future, and when the hour arrives take possession of the charming reception-room assigned to you, and

The school attended by Mollie Garfield, the president's fourteen-year-old daughter, is a French or English day school of about thirty pupils, conveniently located on New York avenue, near the Madison Square Hotel. Madame Garfield is a accomplished dancer. French is the language spoken in the school-room. The school has been established nearly thirty years. Madame Burr is the principal. She is a French lady, who, to this country, was educated at Madame's school in New York. Her husband, whom she married in Washington, was an American.

was there; also Mrs. Bacon, wife of one of the United States navy of that name, and many others, who will be recalled by one who dined with Washington. This is Miss Bacon's first husband, John Bacon, who was a senator from Virginia. Her children are five daughters of Lawyer L. B. Merckle, daughter of Hon. Carlisle Patterson, Mamie German, daughter of the Senator, Cecilia Miles, daughter of the Hon. William H. Seward, and three sons, a son of the Hon. William H. Seward, and a namesake of Mrs. Shepley. Her daughter, a sixteen-year-old daughter of Hon. Rockwell, the newly appointed Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds. "Don't you know," said the lady, "that I was the eldest two sons of the President—Harry and James—in the cozy nursery room in the White House, last year occupied by Mr. Frobenius, the German physician, who was then the center of the Freshman year at Williams College, a graduate of Brown University, and more recently of the Philadelphia Medical College. He was a very handsome young man, a very clever lawyer, and left a flourishing medical practice at Helena, Montana, to enjoy a few months of Washington life under these pleasant auspices. He was the highest recommendation to a successful career, and he was a very successful one. He spoke Latin and Greek only, but will review your thesaurus later. The Garfield boys are graceful dancers, in addition to their more solid training. My sister studies Latin with English branches."

The Cincinnati *Gazette* states that "The young

versity at Wooster, Ohio, were tendered an informal reception by President and Mrs. Taylor, in honor of Miss Annie R. Irish, who is at present touring before the class on French literature. Irish is thoroughly cultured, and is the pioneer female university lecturer. Her many friends wish city will be glad to learn of her success in a new vocation, of which, however, all who saw her were fully assured from the careful and thorough preparation she had made. As

As her duties at Wooster will permit she goes to Baltimore to resume her studies under the direction of the professors of the University of Maryland, particularly in old and new German, and to pursue the course of study hereafter between her duties at Wooster following this course of study. It is to be noted that this university, perhaps the highest in that of culture, certainly having the highest aim, any institution in the country, and possessed of a liberal endowment, should not be able to admit to full fellowship a lady as cultured and having so lofty a literary ambition as Miss Irish, it is to be hoped that it will not be long before college will throw open its doors to young

The usual weekly reception at the National Academy of Fine Arts was largely attended. Many guests were from Philadelphia. The arrangements for music and recitations were much better, the piano was placed in the broad hall, at the

attractive back-ground. The Misses Class (Jan and Anite) sang, and Miss Lucile Murphy gave some fine instrumental selections. Miss Susan and little Eva Henderson, Mr. Kail and Mr. Bitt added their part in readings. Mrs. Morgan gave a short talk concerning art and the pros of her juvenile class.

Bee-Sitting in the Month.

found some wild honey in the woods and be-
came to eat a piece of the toothsome comb. A bee
came in the comb stung him in the roof of
his mouth. In a few minutes he felt a rush of
blood to the head and stopped to bathe his face in
cold water. While thus engaged he fell over, and
when he found shortly afterward he was blind,
speechless, and black in the face. He was restored
by Dr. Stroud, who says that a bee-sting in
the mouth is a dangerous thing.

Forest Fires.
At Attleboro', Mass., an extensive fire
raging in the woods extending into Wrentham.
At Wilkesbarre, Pa., forest fires are burning fa-
stly on the mountains near the city.